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8.1 GOALS:

- 8.1.1 To become familiar with the use of fluorescence as it applies to the detection of amplified DNA, including the fluorescent dyes and wavelengths used for detection of the PowerPlex® 16 BIO loci.
- 8.1.2 To develop an understanding and working knowledge of fluorescence detection using the FMBIO Fluorescent Image Analysis System (Hitachi/MiraiBio), including the limitations.
- 8.1.3 To develop a thorough understanding of how the FMBIO II/FMBIO III Fluorescent Image Analysis System works.

8.2 TASKS:

- 8.2.1 Scan electrophoresis gels using the FMBIO II and/or FMBIO III Fluorescent Image Analysis System. Refer to the Commonwealth of Virginia Division of Forensic Science Forensic Biology Section Problem Section III, Fluorescent Detection PCR-Based STR DNA Protocol PowerPlex® 1.1, 2.1, and 16 BIO Systems Manual for the procedure.
- 8.2.2 Read applicable literature and become familiar with glossary terms. Refer to Appendices A and B, and C for Additional Training Aids.
- 8.2.3 Continue on to Chapter 9, INTERPRETATION POWERPLEX® 16 BIO System.

8.3 TRAINING EVALUATION:

- 8.3.1 Knowledge
 - 8.3.1.1 Review of notes and other documentation in training notebook by training coordinator
 - 8.3.1.2 Oral and practical examinations
- 8.3.2 Skills
 - 8.3.2.1 The trainee should demonstrate a thorough understanding of the FMBIO and the software used for the analysis of the PowerPlex® 16 BIO typing gels. This will be monitored by review of the documentation in the training notebook and continual observation by the training coordinator.
- 8.3.3 Completion of the checklist by training coordinator.

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STUDY QUESTIONS:

- 1. Explain fluorescence detection.
- 2. How does the FMBIO II/FMBIO III Fluorescent Image Analysis System works?
- 3. What is the purpose of the different filters used with the FMBIO II/FMBIO III?
- 4. During the gray level adjustment stage of the scanned image why is it necessary for the examiner to switch the display mode under "Multi" to "Overlay"?
- 5. What filter is used to detect the fluorescent dye Texas Red®- X and on which channel can it be detected? Rhodamine RedTM? JOE? Fluorescein?
- 6. When the color/blended image is created for a PowerPlex® 16 BIO System gel, the "Color Chooser" button on the Project Box is what color for channel 1, channel 2, channel 3, and channel 4?

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CHECKLIST FOR FLUORESCENCE DETECTION-POWERPLEX® 16 BIO

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